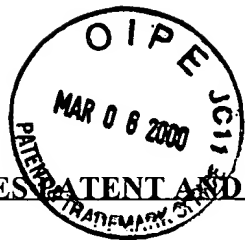


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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When the above-identified patent application is taken up for consideration, please amend
the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 42.

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REMARKS

Currently claims 1-41 and 43-45 are pending in the application. The applicant has
cancelled claim 42 in this amendment. The applicant respectfully submits that the currently
pending claims 1-41 and 43-45 are in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly
solicited. The Examiner is invited to telephone the below-signed attorney at 612-373-6973 to
discuss any questions which may remain with respect to the present application.

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